1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 2 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE 3 THE MACERICH PARTNERSHIP, LP, et al., 4 Plaintiff(s), 5 NO. C03-2656P v. 6 ORDER ON McCARTHY BUILDING McCARTHY BUILDING COMPANIES, et al., COMPANIES, INC.'S AND SDL 7 CORPORATION: (1) MOTION IN LIMINE NO. 12 Defendant(s)/Third-Party 8 Plaintiffs, (2) MOTION TO STRIKE 9 v. 10 CADMAN, INC., et al., 11 Third-Party Defendant(s). 12 13 The above-entitled Court, having received and reviewed: 14 1. McCarthy Building Companies, Inc.'s and SDL Corporation's Twelfth Motion in Limine re: 15 Lifecycle Costs; 16 2. Plaintiffs' Response to McCarthy and SDL's Twelfth Motion in Limine 17 3. Reply in Support of McCarthy Building Companies, Inc.'s and SDL Corporation's Twelfth 18 Motion in Limine re: Lifecycle Costs 19 4. Motion to Strike Plaintiffs' Responses to McCarthy Building Companies, Inc.'s and SDL 20 Corporation's Motions in Limine 21 5. Plaintiffs' Opposition to Defendants' Motion to Strike Plaintiffs' Oppositions to Motions in 22 Limine 23 Reply in Support of Motion to Strike Plaintiffs' Responses to McCarthy Building Companies, 6. 24 Inc.'s and SDL Corporation's Motions in Limine 25 ORD ON DEFS' MTN 26 IN LIMINE NOS. 12 - 1

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1 and all exhibits and declarations attached thereto, makes the following ruling: IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the motion in limine re: lifecycle costs is DENIED. 2 3 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the motion to strike is DENIED. 4 Defendants' motion in limine seeks to preclude Plaintiffs from introducing any evidence or 5 making any argument aimed at extending McCarthy's liability for repairs to the parking garage at issue 6 beyond the five-year "warranty" specified in the parties' Closeout Agreement. The Court notes in 7 passing that this is actually a substantive motion aimed at eliminating one of Plaintiffs' remedies; as 8 such, it is more properly brought as a motion for summary judgment than as a motion in limine. 9 Regarding Defendants' motion to strike Plaintiffs' responses on the grounds that they are untimely, the 10 Court finds that, while the responses to Defendants' motions in limine were indeed filed two days after 11 the deadline, such a delay neither worked an undue hardship on Defendants or prejudiced them in any 12 meaningful way. The responses will not be stricken and all the parties' briefing has been considered in 13 making the rulings on Defendants' in limine motions. 14 15 The clerk is ordered to provide copies of this order to all counsel. 16 Filed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2006. 17 Washel Helens 18 19 Marsha J. Pechman 20 U.S. District Judge 21 22 23 24

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